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SEQUEL TO DR. SUN'S THREAT.

A startling development has occurred as a consequence of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's recent threat to secure and apply "for constructive purposes" the Chinese Maritime Customs revenues collected in the territories under the control of the Canton Government. This is the seizure of the Customs House in Canton by foreign naval forces, a step which has been taken to prevent the carrying out of Dr. Sun's threat.

It will be recalled that two days ago the Diplomatic Body in Peking caused an unofficial intimation to be conveyed to Dr. Sun that the Powers would not permit any interference on his part with the Kwangtung revenues of the Maritime Customs. The Reuters cable conveying that news to local papers stated that "the intimation is firm and clear, and Sun Yat-sen is faced with a serious situation if he attempts to carry out his threat."

It is now presumed that the Diplomatic Body followed this intimation with further action, in consequence of which it is stated that the British Admiral (Sir Arthur Leveson) and Admiral Frochet, for France, went to Canton on Tuesday and called upon Dr. Sun with a view to obtaining an assurance

that he would not touch the funds contained therein. It would seem that Dr. Sun's reply to their request was of a somewhat sarcastic nature, for he is stated to have said: "I will not touch it if the measures you take are sufficient to prevent me."

Following this interview, which was evidently not regarded as satisfactory, marines from the gunboats lying off the Shamen were landed and they proceeded to take possession of the Customs House, situate on the Bund, where they have taken up positions with machine-guns and are fortifying it against possible attack.

The presence of an unusually large number of foreign gunboats off the Shamen during the past few days had given rise to considerable speculation in Canton according to news from that centre to-day. On Tuesday there were no fewer than nine there, comprising three British, two American, two French, one Japanese and one Portuguese. The last named left yesterday to secure supplies from Macao, but was understood to be returning later.

Up to the time of writing, the occupation of the Customs House had given rise to no untoward event.

TO-DAY'S SPECIAL CABLES.

[United Press Service to the "Telegraph".]

CHAOTIC U. S. POLITICS.

INSURGENT REPUBLICANS HOLD THE BALANCE.

Washington, December 5. Senator Gillett was elected Speaker after a compromise. Conditions are still chaotic, as the insurgent Republicans hold the balance of power.

It is announced that President Coolidge expects the Senate to ratify the Mexican Treaty as soon as possible.

Washington, December 5. An armistice between the political groups was arranged at a conference this evening whereby Congress, with Senator Gillett presiding, will be organized for to-day, thus clearing the way for President Coolidge to deliver his message to-morrow. — Reuters.

Washington, December 5. Senator Gillett has been re-elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. Thus the deadlock is ended and President Coolidge's message will be delivered at a joint session of the Senate and the House at noon to-morrow. — Reuters.

REUTERS' CABLES.

INTER-VARSITY RUGBY.

OXFORD'S REPRESENTATIVE TEAM.

The Oxford "rugby" team to meet Cambridge at Twickenham on December 11th, is definitely selected. The Colonies are strongly represented, there being four South Africans and two Australians, and the Pennsylvania A. C. Valentine, all Rhodes scholars.

GERMAN UNEMPLOYED ATTACK POLICE.

Berlin, December 5. Dissatisfied with their relief allowance, unemployed, reinforced by coolies, attempted to storm the Town Hall at Wanne. They stoned and fired revolvers at the police, who returned the fire. Seven of the attackers were killed and 30 wounded. French troops later restored order.

EMPIRE ZINC COMBINE.

London, December 5. An interesting forthcoming issue is a million and a half sterling of debentures, which marks the completion of several years' negotiations for the formation of an Empire zinc combination, with which it is understood British, Australian and Burman interests are closely identified.

FRONTIER MURDER RINGLEADER CAUGHT.

Delhi, December 5. A Muzrai Shikari, who was the ringleader of the murders

TO-DAY'S GENERAL ELECTION

Great Battles on the Tariff Question.

RIVAL LEADERS AND THEIR POLICIES.



Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (Labour.)



Mr. Stanley Baldwin (Conservative.)



Mr. Lloyd George (Liberal.)

TO-DAY the electors of the United Kingdom are being called upon to choose a new House of Commons. It was just over a year ago that the last General Election took place, the Conservatives, headed by the late Mr. Bonar Law, being returned to power with a majority over all other parties combined. In April last, Mr. Stanley Baldwin became Prime Minister on the resignation, through ill-health, of Mr. Bonar Law. Having expressed himself in favour of a drastic change in Britain's fiscal system, by proposing to put a Protective policy into force, at the same time giving a Preference to the Colonies, he recently decided to dissolve Parliament with a view to taking the opinion of the country on the subject. The decision was reached because Mr. Baldwin thought it would be unfair to put such a policy into operation, in conflict with Mr. Bonar Law's pledge not to change the fiscal system, without having first obtained the express sanction of the electorate. The election to-day is being fought on this issue.

PARTY ATTITUDES. Led by Mr. Baldwin, the Conservative Party, with the exception of a small minority, stands in favour of the policy of Protection, which is solidly opposed both by the Liberals and the Labourites. At the last General Election, the Liberal Party was divided into two groups — the Liberal Coalitionists (named the National Liberals) under Mr. Lloyd George, and the Independent Liberals, headed by Mr. Asquith. On this occasion the Party has become reunited, with Mr. Lloyd George as the leader, whilst Mr. Ramsay MacDonald leads the Labourites.

The Protectionists assert that a fundamental change in our fiscal policy is required in order to render possible the carrying on of those branches of industry which are being crushed by foreign competition. This, they assert, would afford greater openings for home capital and labour and also provide a means of raising additional revenue. It is contended that a country, such as Britain, which allows free imports: is at a disadvantage in dealing with a country which does not do so — hence the policy of retaliation which has for its object the imposition of duties upon the goods of a certain country in order to force that country either to abolish or to reduce an unfavourable tariff. In 1905 a campaign was started by the late Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, when the Conservatives were in power, for the introduction of a "tariff reform" bill.

THE RIVAL LEADERS. Mr. Stanley Baldwin was formerly a Director of the Great Western Railway. He has sat as M.P. for the Newbury division of Wiltshire since 1908. Prior to joining the Ministry as Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1917, he acted as Private Secretary to the late Mr. Bonar Law. In 1921, he was appointed President of the Board of Trade, which post he held until April last, when he became Prime Minister. He believes in business methods in political life and is regarded as a shrewd and practical man.

Mr. Lloyd George was formerly a solicitor. He has been in Parliamentary life since 1890. He was President of the Board of Trade from 1905 to 1908, and from then until 1915 he was Chancellor of the Exchequer, which capacity he added to his reputation by the measures he took in finance during the war. He was Minister of Munitions in the Coalition Government during 1915, 1916, and 1917, and on the death of Mr. Asquith, he became Prime Minister.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was called upon to become Prime Minister, being succeeded in that position by Mr. Bonar Law last November. He took a leading part in the Peace Conference and for his services he received the Order of Merit. He is a financier and a man of indomitable energy. Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald was educated at a Board School. He was Secretary to the Labour Party from 1900 to 1911 and from 1906 to 1909 was Chairman of the Independent Labour Party. He sat as M.P. for Leicester from 1906 to 1918, when he suffered a heavy defeat. He was unsuccessful in contesting East Woodwich in March, 1921, but was returned at the last General Election for Aberavon by a huge majority. He is a forceful writer and speaker and since the last election he has led the Opposition in the House of Commons.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. As at present constituted, the House of Commons consists of 615 members. Prior to the creation of the Irish Free State, it comprised 707 M.P.s, but under the Government of Ireland Act the Irish representation was reduced from 105 to 13, these latter all sitting for Northern Irish seats.

England returns 492 members, Scotland 74, Wales 35 and North Ireland 13. For the 615 seats, there are on this occasion no fewer than 1,651 candidates, made up of the following: — Conservatives 551; Liberals, 457; Labour, 434; Conservative Free Traders, 7; and Independents, 17.

There have been fifty members returned unopposed, these comprising 35 Conservatives, 11 Liberals, three Labour and one Independent. There are 34 women candidates.

THE LAST ELECTION. The last General Election resulted in the Conservatives securing a majority of 79 over all other parties combined. The final figures were — Conservatives 347; Labour 142; Liberals 59; National Liberals 59; Other parties 8.

The Conservatives secured 315 seats in England, 15 in Scotland, 13 in North Ireland and 13 in Wales. To get a bare majority in the House against all possible combinations, the Conservatives will need to return 308 members to the new Parliament, towards which they have, as already stated, 35 seats without opposition.

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THE HOME ELECTION.

FURTHER SERIOUS ROWDYISM.

"ALL PARTIES CONFIDENT."

(Reuters' Service.)

London, December 5.

Further election rowdyism is reported to-day. The Conservative candidate for Newport (Monmouth), Mr. R. J. Clarry and his wife were surrounded by a hostile crowd in the docks district last night. Stones and mud were thrown and the candidate's wife was struck with mud and kicked on the leg. She was unable to leave her hotel to-day.

Lady Eustace Percy was badly injured last night after a meeting at Hastings in support of her husband. A crowd of "rowdies" in the hall interrupted Lord Eustace's speech and a broken cup was thrown at the platform, narrowly missing the Chairman's face and striking Lady Eustace on the side. After the meeting a dense crowd surrounded Lord Eustace's car and in the confusion Lady Eustace's right arm was jammed in the door of the car and badly bruised. The crowd jeered and shouted as the car drove off.

The Marquis of Linlithgow in a speech at Walsand, said that Mr. Baldwin's idea of calling a conference of representatives of shipping was to consider the question that if foreigners did not allow their goods to be carried in British ships, we should not allow British goods to be carried in foreign ships.

Mr. Lloyd George's Message to London.

Mr. Lloyd George, who to-day wound up the Liberal campaign in London by a great meeting at Camberwell in support of Dr. Macnamara and other Liberal candidates in South London and who subsequently proceeded to speak at Brighton, has sent a message to the London electors, declaring that London, the greatest city in the world, is endangered. He says: "She lives by trade as no other city in the world lives thereby, and, if that trade is to grow, it must be free." He adds that tariffs would deal a deadly blow at the work and wages of the citizens of London.

Latest Party Forecasts.

The eve of Polling Day finds all parties confident of improving their positions. An official at the Conservative headquarters declared that, given fine weather to-morrow, the Conservatives hoped not only to maintain their majority but even to increase it.

It is stated at the Liberal headquarters that the canvass had been very encouraging. Great Liberal enthusiasm is reported from all over the country. The official declined to make any forecast, but declared that if the promises made to them were fulfilled, then everybody was in for a big surprise.

Labour headquarters are confident of an increase in the party's representation in Parliament. An official declared that there would certainly be 171 Labourites, returned, probably more, and that Labour would still be His Majesty's Opposition.

As regards the weather, rain and sleet is forecasted and it is believed that this will lessen the Tory poll, while not affecting the Labour vote to the same extent.

Mr. Baldwin's Final Appeal.

London, December 4.

Mr. Baldwin, in a polling-day manifesto, appeals to his fellow-countrymen and women to support him in his fight against unemployment. "I ask this," he says "for your own sake and for the sake of the rising generation."

Mr. Lloyd George on Wages.

London, December 5.

Mr. Lloyd George, at Brighton, said he was prepared to work as he had worked before, with anyone who he thought was doing his best to serve the country's interests. There was no country in Europe which paid such high wages as England. There was only one country in Europe which paid wages coming anywhere near those paid in England and that was Holland, which was a Free Trade country.

Foreign Tariff Walls.

London, December 5.

Mr. Kysant in a speech at Southampton said it was impossible for any business man to ignore the fact that tariff walls in foreign countries were steadily rising against Britain all over the world. One foreign country in addition had prohibited British steamers trading between the ports of their coast. If the Chilian law had not been passed his company would have been building new, modern vessels to replace the old steamers, thereby employing a large number of additional workmen in British shipyards. Any suggestion that the Conservatives would seek to introduce proposals calculated to undermine the country's vital shipping supremacy could be dismissed as absurd.

POSSIBILITY OF GERMAN FAMINE.

A LOAN FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOOD.

Washington, December 5.

It is understood that the German proposals that the Reparations Commission should authorise the flotation of a loan to cover purchases of foodstuffs are assured of support in the United States to the extent that authorisation is being given to the American Overseer to announce the willingness of the United States that priority should be extended to such loan. It is expected that the Germans will request a loan of seventy million dollars, half of which would be offered to American investors. The official attitude at Washington inclines to the belief that the situation in Germany requires emergency action in order to prevent widespread famine.

MARK WANTS EMERGENCY MEASURES.

HIS REIGN LIKELY TO CEASE.

Berlin, December 5.

Herr Marx has announced that the Government at present is unable to dispense with the military and police forces, which are maintained at the expense of the people, and that the country is in a state of emergency. He has also announced that the Government will take emergency measures to deal with the situation.

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CHINA LIGHT AND POWER.

The report for presentation to the
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and Power Co. (1923), Ltd., to be
held on Thursday, 29 December,
states:

The General Managers have now
to lay before the shareholders a
statement of accounts for the 12
months ended on the 30th Septem-
ber, 1923.

The gross profit for the

period is £2,412,251.

After allowing for:

Interest £2,117,51

Exchange £23

Writing off for de-

preciation on the

Company's lines,

buildings and ma-

chinery, £11,179.55

Consulting Com-

mittee's and An-

dividend £58,354.00

£11,992.32

The Balance to be dealt

with is £254,721.79

which it is proposed to appropriate

as follows, viz:

To write off Goodwill

Account £254,721.79

To pay a dividend of 60

cents per share on 2,000,000

shares (Old) £120,000.00

To pay a dividend of 10

cents per share on 1,000,000

shares (New) £70,000.00

To carry forward £54,721.79

£254,721.79

Consulting Committee.—During the

year Mr. G. W. Barton was ap-

pointed in place of Mr. H. P. White

absent from the Colony, and Mr.

Lee Hysan was invited to join the

TODD—BAKER.

The wedding was solemnised at
St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon,
yesterday, of Mr. Francis Charles
Todd, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J.
Todd, of Forest Gate, London, and
Miss Isabel Baker, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Baker, also of
Forest Gate. The bridegroom is
connected with Messrs. A. S. Wat-
son and Company. The church
ceremony was conducted by the
Rev. G. R. Lindsay and was at-
tended by many friends of the
couple.

The bride wore a charming
costume of white embroidered
silk with a veil of orange-bloss-
soms and carried a bouquet of
pink roses. Miss Phillis Coe acted
as bridesmaid, wearing a dress of
pale mauve tulle and carrying
a bouquet of mauve sweet peas.
Captain G. A. Clements, R.G.A.,
gave the bride away. The bride-
groom was supported by Mr. R.
Hutchinson as best man. Mr.
F. H. L. L. presided at the organ and
played music suitable to the
occasion.

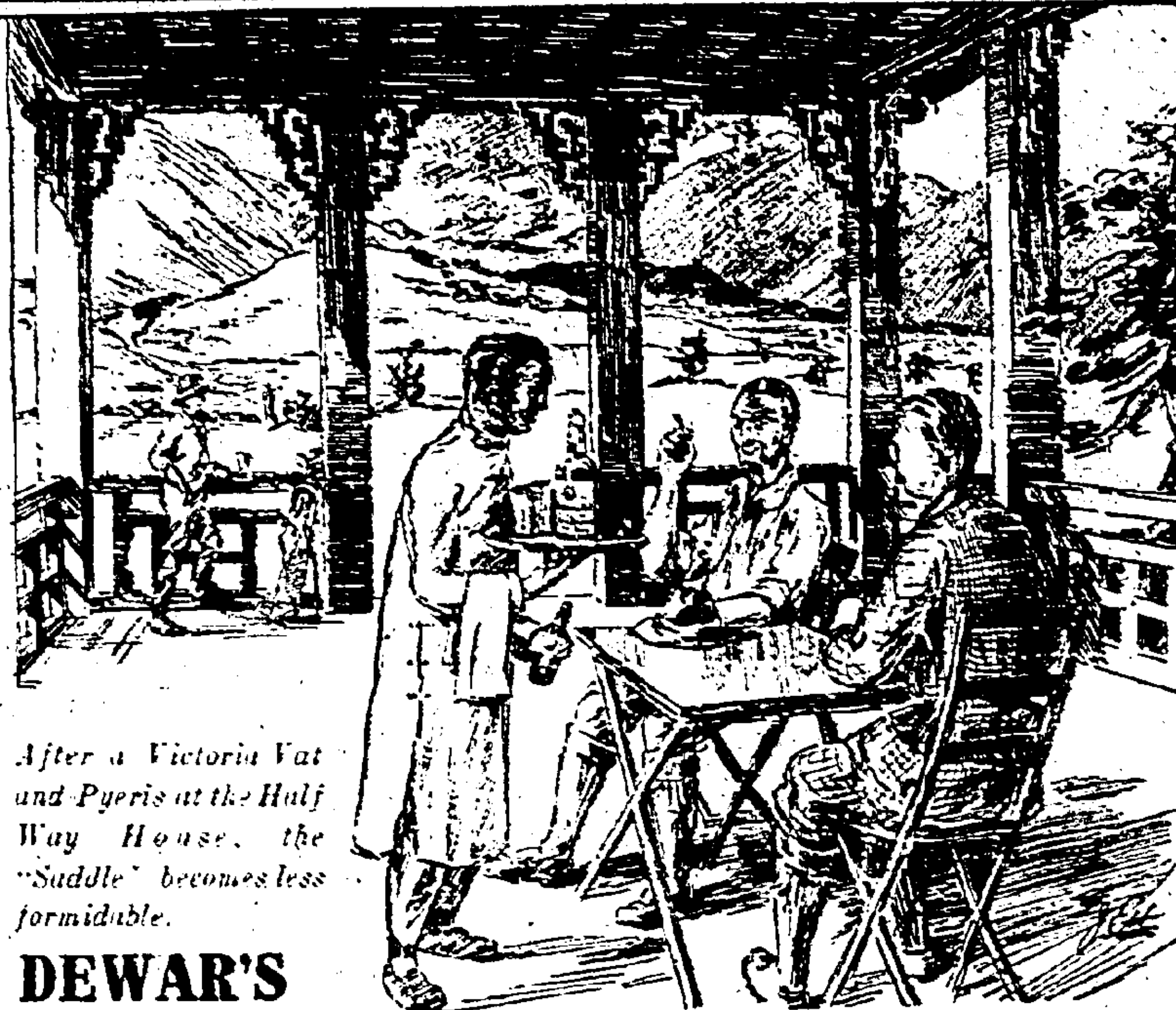
Leaving the Church the happy
couple and their friends adjourned
to No. 1 Humphrey's Building, the
residence of Captain and Mrs.
Clements, where the reception was
held. Mr and Mrs Todd will spend
their honeymoon in East ports.

Board.—Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater,
Messrs. A. H. Compton, G. W. Bar-
ton, C. A. da Rosa and Mr. Lee
Hysan retire, and being eligible
offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have
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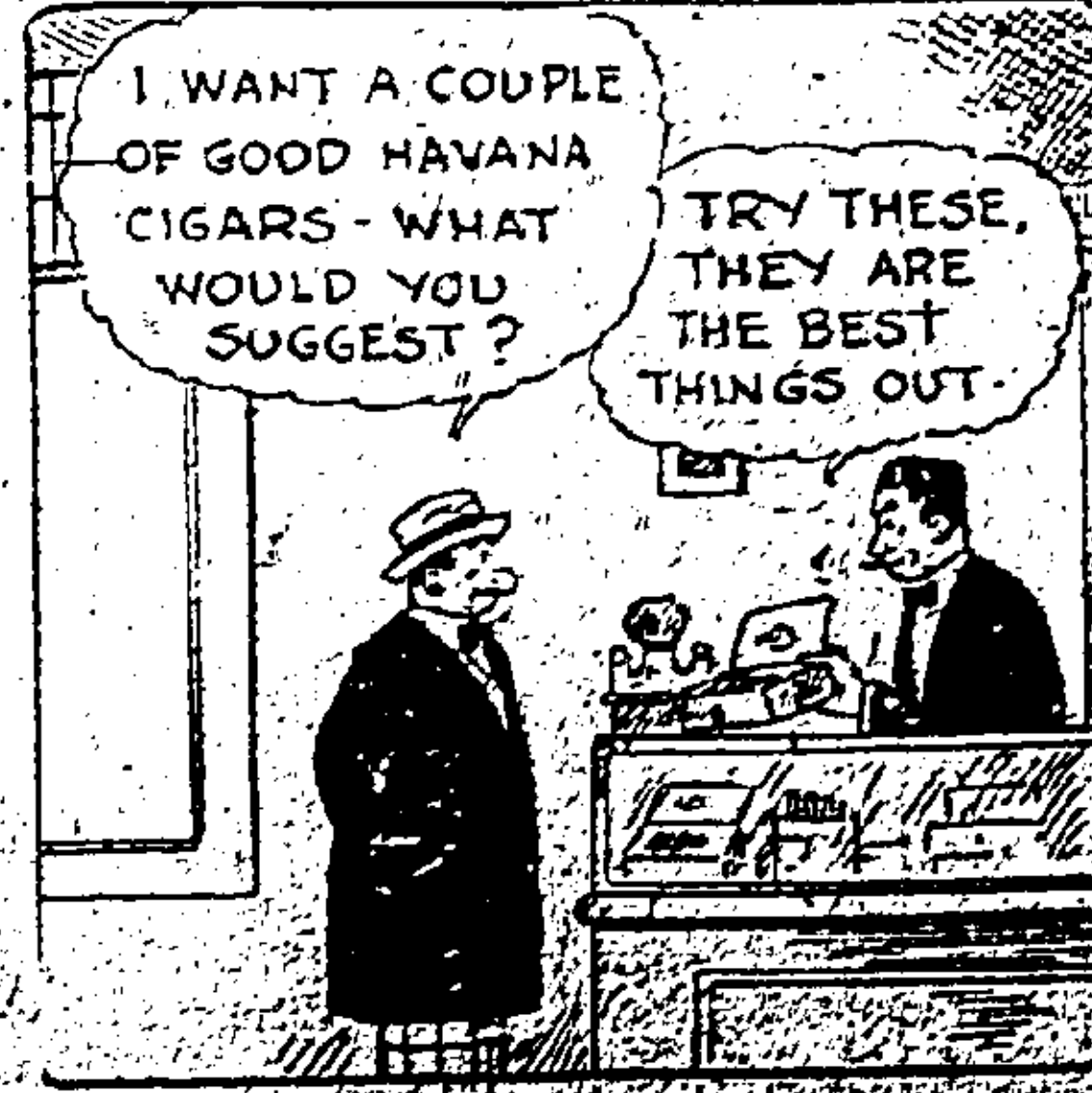
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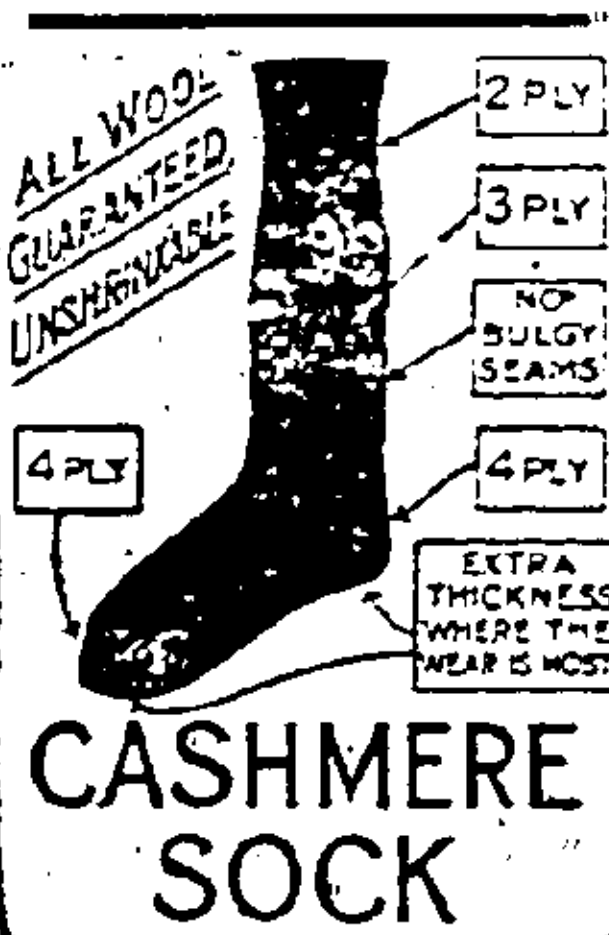
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EDUCATION BOARD.

ARE HONGKONG TEACHERS PAID ENOUGH?

Hon. Mr. E. Irvine, the Director of Education, presided at a meeting of the Board of Education held in the Sanitary Board room yesterday. There were also present, the Rev. T. W. Pearce, the Rev. A. D. Stewart, the Rev. Fr. H. Valtorta, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. N. T. Mackintosh, Mr. A. F. B. Silva-Netto, Mr. C. Ramjaha, Dr. Wan Man-kai, Mr. B. Wylie, Mrs. Hickling, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. E. Ralphs, Mr. A. R. Cavalier and the Secretary, Mr. Y. P. Law.

Mr. Wylie asked how many of the seven assistant masters and nine assistant mistresses to be added to the staff for 1924 had been appointed since the previous meeting of the Board?

The Chairman: One assistant master and one assistant mistress.

Mr. Wylie: Arising out of that answer, as you know I have been asking several questions on this matter for the past three meetings. In another month the year 1924 will have commenced and still we are fourteen assistants short of the requisite number, although this Department has been advertising through the Colonial Office at Home for some considerable time.

In June last the Government approved the appointment of nine masters and 15 mistresses, making a total of 24, and of that number we have managed to secure the appointment of ten. After nearly six months hard and faithful endeavour, we have not been very successful. I further think the time has come when this Board must seriously consider why it is that we cannot secure more applicants for these posts. As I have said before, the New Year is nearly on us and we are still very short of certificated help notwithstanding the fact that there are so many unemployed teachers at home at the moment. I think we must ask ourselves many questions on this matter. Is it because the advertisements are not attractive enough? Is it because they do not contain sufficient information? Is it because among the teaching profession at Home, there is something in the nature of a boycott against Hongkong? (Laughter).

Is it because the engagement of applicants is in the wrong hands? Would it not be better if some scholastic agency undertook this work? Are the conditions of service here well enough known? Do prospective applicants imagine that they have to work in an uncongenial atmosphere? Is it because the remuneration offered is inadequate? I think, Sir, this department must consider these questions to make certain that it is none of these things which are preventing us from getting the help that we require. Personally, I think one of the reasons we cannot fill these positions is that we do not make the offers attractive enough in the matter of salary. This is no new argument of mine. I have all along advanced this view.

The Chairman (interrupting): I think you are going beyond the time of a supplementary question. I think you are opening a debate in which case I think we ought to have notice.

Mr. Wylie: I think it is quite in order, Sir. We are asking ourselves why we cannot secure these assistants. Let me finish, Sir.

The Chairman: I am not prepared to enter into a discussion on salaries.

Mr. Wylie: I am asking why we cannot get the assistants that we require.

The Chairman: I have already told you you should have given notice.

Mr. Wylie: Do you forbid me to continue?

The Chairman: I ask you to stick to the rules as nearly as you can. These are not supplementary questions arising out of the answer.

Mr. Wylie: What is your ruling on the matter?

The Chairman: My ruling is that you are out of order.

Mr. Wylie: Then I give notice that I shall ask a question or rather move a proposal regarding the starting salaries for assistant masters and mistresses who come out here.

The Chairman: I don't wish to reply to what Mr. Wylie has said, but we must not forget that in fact we have on the staff six temporary mistresses.

Mr. Wylie: But not certificated.

The Chairman: Yes, fully certificated. They are only temporary.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE v. NAVY.

The following will represent Civil Service in a League match on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. on Saturday:—A. E. Wood (Captain), G. R. Sayer, F. J. Ling, F. J. de Rome, F. H. Holliman, R. E. O. Bird, B. D. Evans, G. R. Sutherland, F. Baker, E. B. Reed, R. C. Wintchell.

in the sense that they are locally engaged. There is still a shortage of men.

The Chairman then placed before the Board the estimates for 1924, the prospectus of the Central British School and the tentative plans of the new Quarry Bay school and said that the latter would be submitted to the Standing Sub-Committee.

FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON TEAMS.

The following teams have been selected to represent the Kowloon F. C. in their League games on Saturday:—

1st Division, v. B. G. A. G. Kowloon ground, kick-off 4 p.m.—C. Stewart, F. Wheeler, T. L. Knight, J. Leonard, J. McKelvie, A. Duncan, K. Mason, C. Millard, A. Latham, J. Morton, J. Muir. Reserves.—B. Pascoe and E. Cooke.

2nd Division, v. Club de Recreation on Kowloon ground, kick-off 2.30.—J. Beach, B. Rasmussen, D. Urquhart, A. W. Brown, F. W. Ollier, S. Randle, V. Hast, W. H. Brown, A. Spary, A. Walls, B. T. Haylock. Reserves.—L. H. Taylor and S. W. Chapman.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company, Limited, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th December, 1923, at 5.15 p.m., immediately after the half-yearly meeting, for the purpose of proposing the following resolutions as extraordinary resolutions:

- (1) That the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be amended by adding after Rule No. 11 the following Rule:
11a. A China pony is a horse measuring 13 hands 3 inches and under.
- (2) That the said Rules of Racing be amended by striking out Rule No. 77 and substituting the following:
(3) That Rule No. 34 of the Rules and Regulations of the Hongkong Jockey Club be expunged.
- (4) That Rule No. 76 of the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be expunged.
77. The weight for China Ponies according to the term "weight for inches as per scale" shall be 140 pounds for 12 hands with an additional 3 pounds for every complete inch above that height. Fractions of an inch to count in favour of the pony. Any China Pony which measures over 13 hands 3 inches "dead", to be ineligible to compete in any race reserved for China Ponies.
- 77a. The Stewards must refuse to enter any Pony which in their opinion is not a China Pony, but their decision must be supported by a board of 3 Members any or all of whom may be Stewards. The decision of the board shall be final.

Should the above Rule No. 77 be passed, it is resolved that the same shall not apply to Ponies which have run in Official races in Hongkong and/or in Gymkhana in Hongkong up to and including the 1st of December, 1923.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE half-yearly General Meeting of Members will be held on Wednesday 12th December 1923 at 5 p.m. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Limited.

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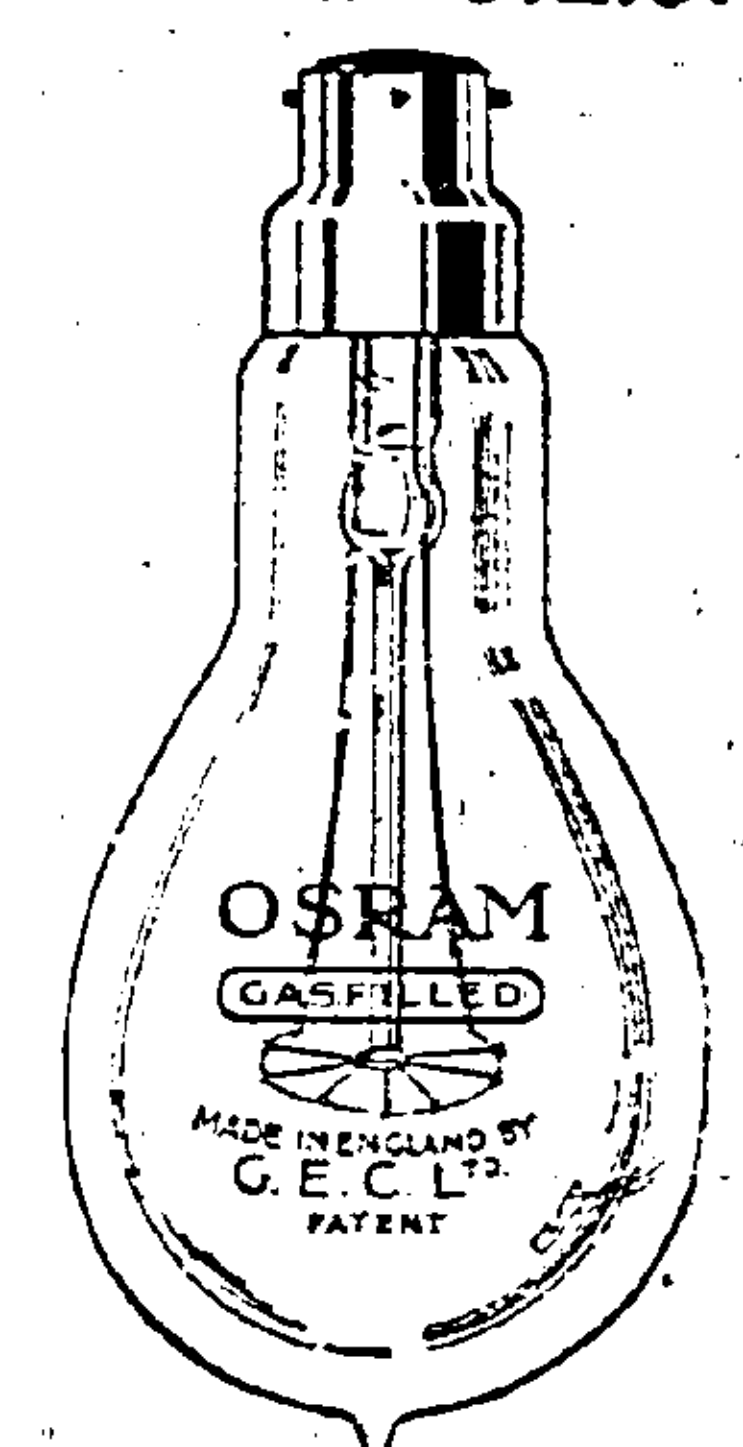
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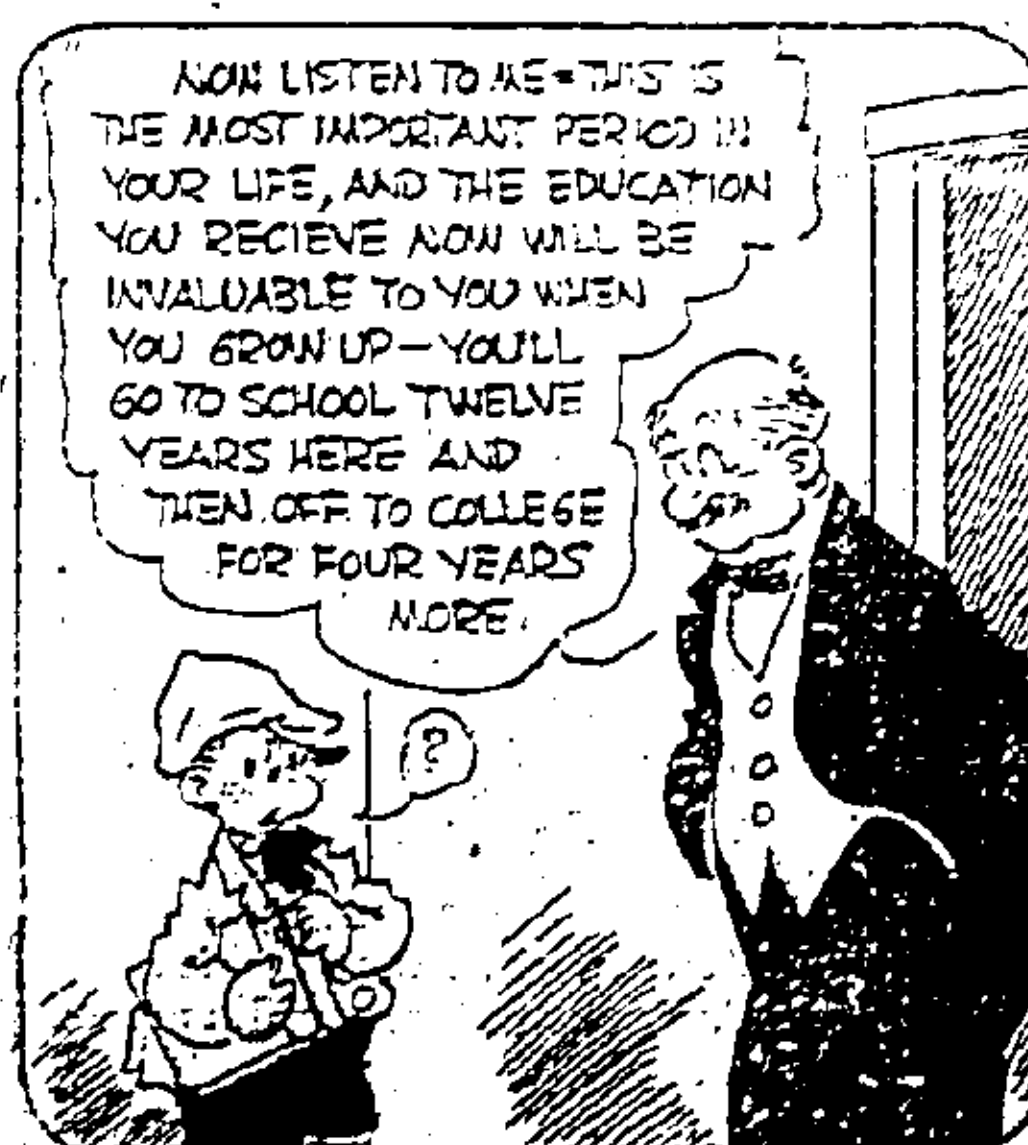
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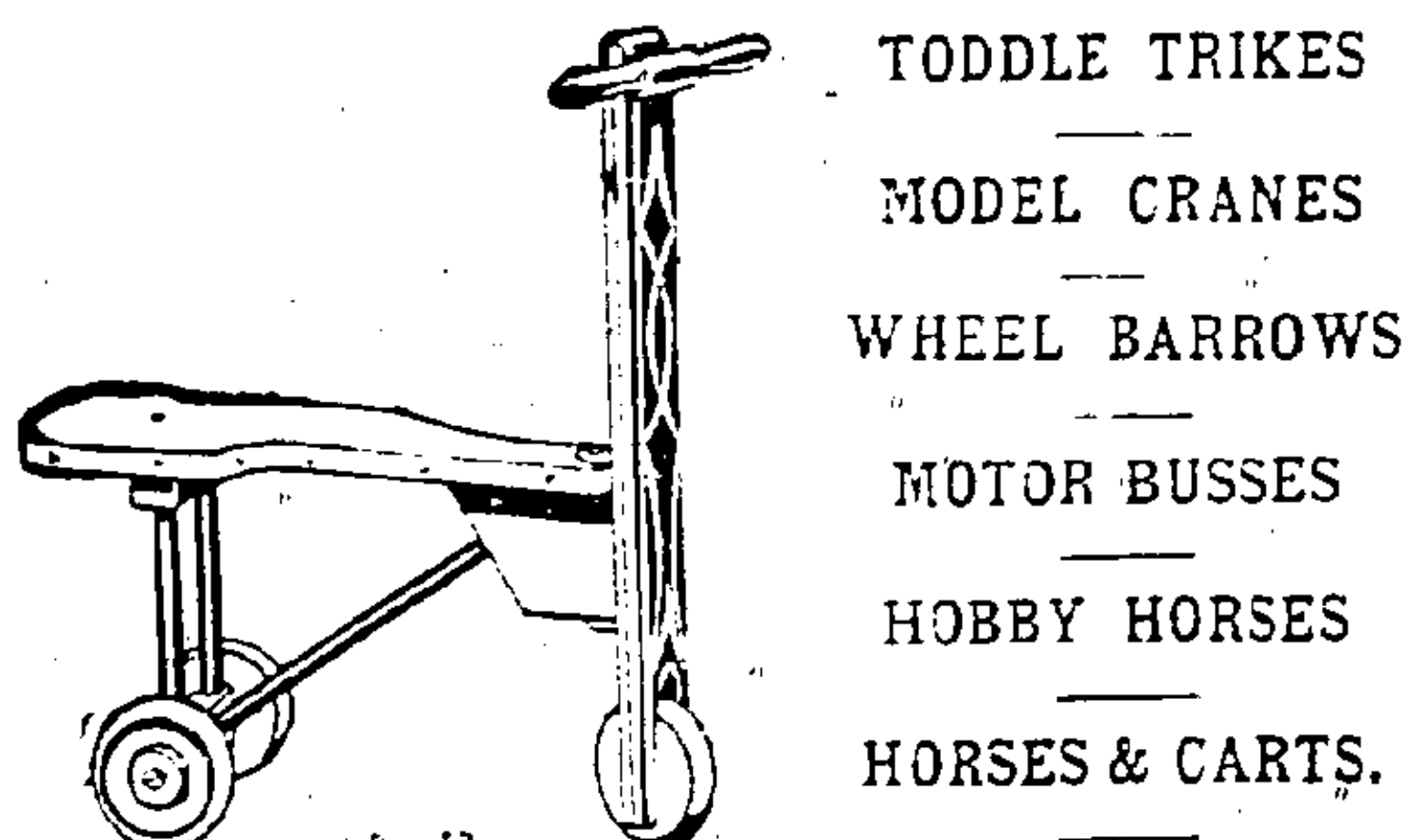
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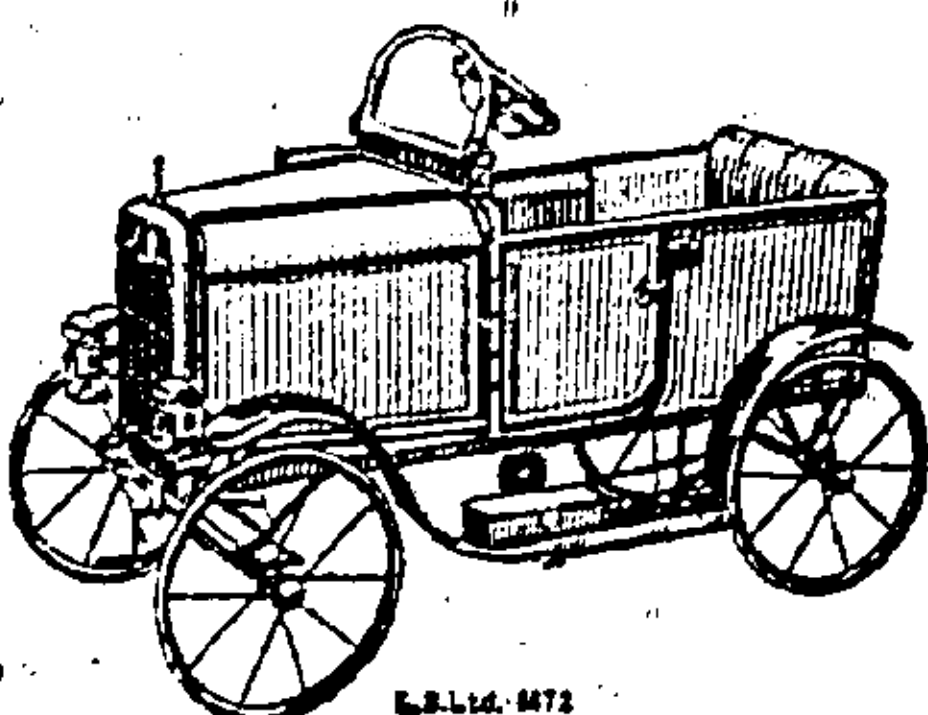
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MARRIAGE.

TODD BAKER. By the Rev. G. E. Lindsay, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon on December 5th, 1923, Francis Charles Todd to Isabel Baker.

The Telegraph

HONGKONG, 6th Dec., 1923.

WHAT RESULT?

The third General Election since the war is taking place in the United Kingdom to-day. In 1918, a Coalition Government was returned to power, whilst a year ago the Conservatives were sent back to Parliament. What will the result of to-day's polling be? Party lines are far more sharply divided on this occasion than at the last two elections. In 1918 and again in 1922, both the Liberal and Conservative Parties were split into opposing groups. We have now reverted to the old-time division of parties into three main factions—Conservative, Liberal and Labour. The other elements are numerically small and unimportant.

In its main features, to-day's election will closely resemble the fight which took place seventeen years ago, when the Liberals were returned by an amazingly large majority. Then, as now, the issue was Protection versus Free Trade. Conditions have, admittedly, changed very much since those days, but the point at stake is the same whether Britain shall depart from her traditional fiscal policy, institute a system of discriminating tariffs and give a preference to the Colonies. To-day, as in 1916, both the Liberal and Labour Parties are solidly opposed to the change. Thus we once again have the anomaly of Conservatives advocating reform, with the so-called progressive elements in politics seeking to uphold the existing system. The consensus of opinion at Home appears to favour the probability of the Conservative returning more members to Parliament than any other one Party, but opinions vary as to the likelihood of a sufficient majority being obtained to carry through the tariff reforms proposals in the face of united Liberal and Labour opposition.

Mr. Baldwin's scheme is not nearly so thoroughgoing in some respects as that of the late Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, upon which the 1906 election was fought. The latter intended to give a preference to all Dominion products, but Mr. Baldwin would exclude food and raw materials. We can only presume that that exclusion is based on a fear of facing the

electorate with a proposal which his enemies would widely decry as being tantamount to the taxation of food. There can be no other reason for excepting these commodities, because if the principle is good in relation to manufactured goods, it surely must be in relation to other commodities as well. This, to our mind, is the weak spot in Mr. Baldwin's proposals, and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has neatly exposed it when he asks what preference can be given to the Dominions if the £266,000,000 for food and raw materials is deducted from the £318,000,000 of imports which Britain receives from her overseas possessions. Points such as these have no doubt by this time been well pressed home to the electors, and it only now remains for the people to cast their votes. Whilst we should be surprised were the Conservatives to get a sufficient majority to carry their scheme into effect, it is as well to be prepared for almost anything.

The Radio Era.

Now that the Government radio expert is on the spot, Hongkong enthusiasts should not have long to wait for an official pronouncement on the subject of broadcasting and receiving licences and sets, whilst the matter of proper wave lengths, avoidance of interference and so forth can also be decided. Apart from the use of wireless telephony as a hobby for the amateur and a pleasure for the bulk of listeners-in, there is now the question of its extension in ways that will bring this Colony right up to date. We refer to the possible use of radio in connection with lighthouses, which could thus do more to guide shipping, both in matters of direction and weather, than they have ever achieved. And there is a more human side to the lighthouse keeper is often isolated from his fellows for long periods, and wireless can bring to him something of that "touch" with the world which is so necessary, and will serve to eliminate the conditions that occasionally lead to tragedy. Then comes the possibility of rapid communication between police headquarters and outlying stations, and water patrols, which would be a very effective check on the activities of our law-breakers. There are several problems to be examined first, such as the proper transmitting equipment for individual purposes, but these should eventually be decided satisfactorily, and the radio era will then have "arrived" in the Colony.

Reforms While You Wait.

The complaint by a correspondent the other day that the inadequacy of staff at the Post Office counters add to the delay whenever there is a "rush" mail, merely serves to draw attention to an oft-voiced grouse. Often enough one arrives five minutes before a registered mail is due to close, but by the time registration has been effected it is five minutes or so past "closing time." The obvious remedy is—post early; but we cannot all be such models of virtue, and circumstances occasionally upset the best calculations. Then, as regards parcels, there is the old query about delivery to addressees. One reason we have heard advanced as to why this cannot be made the local practice is that the possibilities of fraud would be too great; and a far better reason is the impossibility of conveying big parcels, even by motor van, to the hilly districts. In the meantime, however, a larger staff might be engaged for special occasions; and we can dwell on the thought that in the wonderful future time that is coming we shall have parcels delivered by Post Office aeroplanes to even the most remote Peak residences!

JAPAN INSURANCE.

NEW BILL ISSUED.

Tokyo December 6. The text of the proposed Fire Insurance Subsidy Bill has been published, accompanied by a statement by the Minister of Agriculture and Commerce to the effect that the Government is prepared to extend the same assistance to foreign insurance companies should they adopt the policy of payment of ten per cent. of the claims for compensation. The Government's advance is expected to reach 150,000,000 or 160,000,000 Yen.—*Reuter.*

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS SO MUCH EASIER TO SWALLOW A DOGMA THAN TO MODEL OUR LIVES ON A VERY ARDUOUS PATTERN.—*Dean Inge.*

Yesterday's health return shows 18 cases of small-pox, all of which were Chinese.

At the Helena May Institute, yesterday afternoon, the Police Branch of the M.C.L. arranged a display of the work done during the year for next Saturday's Bazaar. The Branch has specialised this time on knitted wool-work and a number of beautiful articles were on view. In addition to the usual raffles there is one for mere man, the articles to be won consisting of a cardigan jacket, socks and golf hose. Tickets for the raffles are still available.

SUNDAY'S GOLF.

SCOTLAND v. ENGLAND. Much interest is being centred in the annual golf match which is to take place at Fanling on Sunday between teams representative of the St. Andrew's and St. George's Societies. There will be singles in the morning, and four-ball foursomes in the afternoon.

Full details of the draw, together with times arranged, will be found in our advertising columns to-day.

SPORT FOR MARINE.

CHINESE GENERAL'S RESOLVE.

Kowloon, Dec. 5. General Chan Chak, Commissioner of Kwangtung Coast Defence, is taking a keen interest in sports. At a reunion held on the 4th by the Pakkai Volley Ball Association General Chan, who attended as a guest, made a generous donation of \$200 to enable the association to enlarge its scope by taking up football, basketball and base-ball as well. In an address, he announced that he was going to introduce these games among the marines under his command. Active arrangements are being made by the General to procure the necessary grounds to realise his scheme.

HOCKEY.

CLUB DEFEATS "DESPATCH."

On Wednesday, the Club met the "Despatch" at the U.S.R.C. The game began brightly, for in the first few moments B. D. Evans, taking a pass, dashed down and beating two opponents, went on to score for the Club. Shortly after this, the "Despatch" equalised through Brooke-Smith, but Evans soon put the Club ahead again. The Club pressed strongly, but shortly before the interval the "Despatch" forwards attacked by short passing and McIntyre scored.

In the second half, the Club continued to press and a third goal came from More. Later, from a corner, Owea Hughes scored again for them and Evans gave them their fifth goal. The "Despatch" now attacked again and Tuke scored with a swift shot from the edge of the circle.

Result: Club, 5; Despatch, 3.

CRICKET.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

K.C.C. 2nd XI. meet the Civil Service 2nd XI. on Saturday at Kowloon at 2.15 p.m. sharp. The home team will be—E. J. Edwards, J. Fraser, O. B. Raven, A. R. F. Raven, A. J. Kew, W. L. Weaver, F. C. Long, F. W. Howell, B. Petheram, C. J. Tacchi and N. Duck.

H.K.C.C. TEAMS.

The following teams will represent the H.K.C.C. on Saturday all matches commencing at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—

1st XI v. C.R.C. (Friendly) at Causeway Bay.—T.E. Pearce (Capt), Col. T. A. Robertson, A.A. Claxton, H. Owen Hughes, E.G. Lammer, A.V.T. Dean, A.C.I. Bowker, R.E.A. Webster, J.N. Owen, J.E. Hancock and W. Brackbridge.

2nd XI v. L.R.C. 2nd XI (League) on H.K.C.C. Ground.—H. E. Hollands (Capt), L. D. McNicoll, F. C. Hagen, G. H. Piercy, W. W. Mackenzie, A. K. Mackenzie, D. E. G. Nicholson, H. Spicer, D. Reid and C. R. Baron.

"A" team v. "B" team (Friendly) at Happy Valley.—E. G. England (Capt), G. R. More, H. H. Day, C. V. Mark, J. R. Way, F. Jacks, D. H. F. McMaster, N. J. Ferrin, G. W. Sewell, D. B. Feat and J. E. Bridger.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

PROSPECTS FOR SATURDAY.

[BY "QUIZ"]
Saturday's programme is as follows:—

LEAGUE DIVISION I.
Club v. Tamar.—Club ground.
Kowloon v. R.G.A.—Kowloon ground.

East Surreys v. Hawkins.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.
Despatch v. Titania.—Navy "B" ground.

LEAGUE DIVISION II.
Club v. Tamar.—Club ground.
Filipinos v. Hawkins.—Navy "B" ground.

East Surreys v. Iriquoise.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.
S. China "B" v. Sacred Heart.—South China ground.

Kowloon v. Club de Recreo.—Kowloon ground.
St. Joseph's v. Hollyhock.—St. Joseph's ground.

Several teams will make their first appearance in league football this Saturday. The East Surreys will take over the King's fixtures, and both their teams will be out on the Garrison ground at Sookunpoo. The new Regiment comes to the Colony with a good sporting record, so visitors to Sookunpoo should see a good game, especially as the senior team is out against this flag-ship, who will also make their first appearance in the League this season. Since the close of last season, the flag-ship has received a new crew, so little is known of the football team.

The Club and Tamar meet for the first time this season on the Club ground, and a very even game is expected. The sailors have the advantage in the League table at present and appear confident of winning. Kowloon receive the R.G.A., who have a couple of new players just arrived, but the military team is losing several players by the Braemar Castle this week-end. The home team is expected to win.

Despatch and Titania are due out on Navy "B" ground and the submarine depot ship should win. The Police are to meet the Diomedes, but the ship is at present out of port. In the event of the Diomedes remaining out over the week-end, the Police will be out against the Ambrose, who this week would be without a match owing to the Carlisle dropping out. Wynne, late of the King's, will make a welcome appearance in the police team and with a couple of recent arrivals the Police should be able to hold their own with any of the league teams.

In the junior games the Club are down to meet the Tamar and on the sailors showing against South China "B" last week they should win. The Hawkins Reserves, East Surrey Reserves and Iriquoise will be seen for the first time. The local match at Kowloon should attract a good attendance and a fast game should end with a win for Kowloon.

The match of the week will be that on the South China ground between the "B" team and Sacred Heart. Both teams are playing good football just now, and a very fast game should be seen. The University have asked to be excused their matches during December owing to their examinations. St. Joseph's, who were due to meet the University this week, play the Hollyhock on their own ground.

Before my notes appear next week, the South China team is expected to arrive from their Australian tour, and the H.K.F.A. has decided to welcome them back with a match on the Club ground on Saturday, 15th instant, with a picked team from the players eligible for Interport honours.

The following will represent Sacred Heart Football Club against South "B":—F. Cruz; C. Chilton, A. Jackson (Capt); C. Derry, B. A. Hyder, Chao Kum Yau; M. Y. Adal, Shuea Kam Shun, Cheong Kam Chun, Tao Kam Fook, Lam Wing Chun, Reserves:—Tam Kong Ling and Yuen Shui Chuen.

NEW FLASH-LIGHT.
A brilliant light for a small fraction of a second is produced by Prof. K. Suyehiro, a Japanese experimenter, by passing a low voltage current through a mercury filament in glass capillary tube. The tube so heated almost instantly explodes, with a bright mercury arc flash.

MOTOR CYCLISTS COMPLAINT.

PROTEST AGAINST NEW FERRY FARES.

We have received the following letter for publication:—
Sir,—As the *Telegraph* is the recognised motoring medium locally, I should be indebted to you if you will insert a few lines from my pen with regard to the new scale of charges now being enforced by the Star Ferry Company for the transportation of motor cycles and combinations. Last Monday I brought my motor cycle across from Kowloon to Hongkong and was charged the usual rate of twenty cents. On bringing it back at night, I was ordered to pay fifty cents! This, I understand, is the new rate for motor cycles, whilst combinations, which previously paid fifty cents, are now required to pay two dollars!

These increases I consider to be rank extortion, and I think the matter should be strenuously taken up by the Automobile Association, which now has an opportunity of doing something for those of their members who own motor cycles or combinations. I suppose the Star Ferry Company has legal authority to increase its charges in this way; otherwise, they would surely not do it. But I do emphatically assert that they should have given warning of these new rates; not have sprung them on the public as they have done.

Why should the motor cyclist be "stuck" in this way? Only two cycles are allowed on the ferry at one time, which prevents any inconvenience to ordinary passengers; yet a cycle has to pay five times as much as a passenger.

The other day we were almost led to hope that eventually there would be a free ferry service between Hongkong and Kowloon, the Government regarding the harbour as if it were an ordinary road. So far, from that dream coming true, we motorists are now required to pay greatly increased rates. I hope the Government will step in and insist on a reversion to the old charges.

Yours etc.
MOTOR CYCLIST.
Kowloon, December 5, 1923.

THE S.P.C.A.

A MONTH'S WORK.

In connection with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Inspector Woodier commenced duties on the 15th ultimo and has been doing duty with Inspector Fisher since then. Their work for the month was as follows:—

TRANSPORT.

Crates of poultry inspected	354
Poultry on trucks and lorries inspected, loads	126
Poultry in junks and ferries, crates inspected	73
Pigs in junks and ferries inspected	522
Cattle in junks and ferries inspected	205
Sheep in junks and ferries inspected	12
Pigs on trucks inspected	531
Cattle ashore inspected	223

IMPORT.

Poultry in ships and junks, crates inspected	2,149
Poultry by rail, crates inspected	16
Pigs in ships and junks	3,134
Pigs by rail	20
Cattle in ships and junks	1,056
Sheep and goats in ships	130
Cages of small birds from ships inspected	42
Puppies	6
Owls	7
Wild cats	40
Monkeys	34
Tortoises, baskets	10
Hawks	4

EXPORTS.

Poultry in ships and junks, crates	17
Cattle in ships and junks, crates	37
Sheep in ships and junks, crates	10
Puppies	2
Cats	51

MISCELLANEOUS.

Ignorant cruelty cases, corrected	35
Cruelty to dog	1
Ferries watched, times	2
Caution given	2

VISITS.

Markets	32
Birdshops	13
Cattle depots	2
Landing place, Kennedy Town	8
Dealers' shops at Mongkok	6
Poultry depots	17
Dogs' Home	4
Pig pens at Yaumati	2
Railway stations	12

HONGKONG HOTEL.

NEW DEBENTURE ISSUE.

As will be seen from an advertisement elsewhere, the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. intend shortly issuing a prospectus inviting subscriptions at par for a debenture issue for a total sum of five million dollars.

These debentures will bear interest at the rate of seven per cent. and they will be secured by a specific mortgage of part of the landed properties owned by the Company in Hongkong and Shanghai. Existing mortgages of the Company will be extinguished, and by the new issue the financial requirements of the Company will be covered by one mortgage by which a fixed amount of interest will be payable at regular intervals instead of at various rates and at irregular times.

When the prospectus has been filed, the public will be given an opportunity of subscribing to the new issue.

H.M.S. ROBIN RUMOUR.

NAVAL AUTHORITIES CANNOT SUBSTANTIATE.

There are still very persistent rumours in town to-day regarding a serious happening up the West River in which H.M.S. Robin was engaged. It is said that the British gunboat was attacked by a strong force of pirates and that, in the course of the engagement, a British bluejacket was killed. The story is rounded off by the assertion that H.M.S. Marazion later went to the assistance of the Robin and that everything is now peaceful again. Nothing is stated regarding the fate of the alleged pirates.

The Naval authorities here cannot substantiate the rumour, and practically deny it. "Everything is quite quiet up the West River, so far as we know," a *Telegraph* representative was informed at the Commander-in-Chief's office this morning. H.M.S. Marazion, he was told, has not left harbour for several months. As H.M.S. Robin is not fitted with wireless, the authorities in Hongkong admit that she may possibly have been attacked, but they think that they would probably have been the first to know if anything of the kind had taken place, and as they have heard nothing, they do not appear to attach much credence to the rumour.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

DETAILS LEAVING BY THE "BRAEMAR CASTLE."

The ss. Braemar Castle, which has arrived in port from the North, has on board the 255th, Coke's Rifles, who are returning from Tientsin to India, disembarking at Karachi. Lt. Col. R.H. Finnis is in command.

Those embarking for Home on the Braemar Castle, which sails from Hongkong at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, include:

Lieut. Bingham, R.G.A., Lieut. Walsh, R.G.A., Lieut. Chester, R.G.A., Mrs. Chester and children, Capt. H. G. H. Fogg, R.A.S.C., Capt. C. H. Carr, R.A.O.C., Lieut. Clark, A.E.C., and Mrs. Clark, Capt. Batra, I.M.S., Mrs. Batra and children, E.S. M. Davis and Q. M. S. Facey, R.E., S. Q. M. S. Tattam, R.A.O.C., Mrs. Tattam and child, Q. M. S. Foster, R.A.O.C., Mrs. Foster and child, Q. M. S. Wingfield, R.A.O.C., Mrs. Wingfield and children, and Miss Fanning, besides the wives and children of fifteen other non-commissioned officers of different units.

FAREWELL TO COKE'S RIFLES.

In a "Farewell Order" to the 255th Coke's Rifles, Major General Sir John Fowler says: "The General Officer Commanding much regrets that this fine Battalion is now leaving his Command. As a fighting unit he had every confidence in them. In this Command they have well maintained their discipline, the credit of the Army, and the prestige of Coke's Rifles. In saying farewell, the General Officer Commanding wishes the British and Indian Officers and all Other Ranks every success in the future."

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THEFTS FROM GOVERNMENT QUARTERS.

A number of thieves who were busy in collecting brass hinges and locks from Government quarters on Morrison Hill, now vacant on account of the reclamation work, were surprised by Mr. W. Shaw, P. W. D. overseer, when he visited one of the houses yesterday morning. After a chase through the premises, one man was arrested. Another of the gang, a small boy, was subsequently arrested by the police on information received, while a third man was also taken into custody in connection with a charge of receiving stolen goods.

Evidence was heard at the Police Court this morning to the effect that the culprits were forced to abandon a large quantity of locks and hinges wrenched from the doors and windows. The man was sentenced to two months' hard labour, and the boy held over to obtain medical advice as to whether his condition was favourable for a sound whipping. On the application of the police, the charge against the second man, for receiving stolen goods, was withdrawn.

ITALIAN OPERA CO.

LAST NIGHT'S SUCCESS.

"Force of Destiny," which the Italian Grand Opera Company presented at the Star Theatre last night, drew but a moderate sized audience, a fact which may be due to the circumstance that it is a little known opera. There was, however, no fault to be found with the play as it was presented nor with the singing of the artists. The melodious air contained in it came in for their right measure of approbation from the audience. Outstanding were the efforts of the tenor, Signor Chini, as Don Alvaro, and Signor Scamuzzi, who, together with Mlle. Impallomeni, had the principal parts.

"To-night 'Madame Butterfly,' a beautiful opera which needs no introduction to the public, will be presented. Booking is very brisk for to-night's performance. Of course, the opera is exceedingly well known, and it contains music more of the ballad order than do many of the others. Mlle. Ambrosio will sing the chief role.

Signor Artino, who will play "Othello" on Sunday next, is well known on concert stages in England and the Continent. He combines magnificent singing with no mean dramatic ability, and Home critics said many very favourable things about his performance in this opera. Sign. Scamuzzi and Mlle. Ambrosio also have strong roles in "Othello," which is strongly dramatic in theme and score.

THE CORONET.

AN INTERESTING BOOKING.

"Orphans of the Storm" winds up at the Coronet to-day, and will be followed to-morrow by a short "revival" of "Way Down East" from Friday to Sunday.

To bring back a film is quite an innovation, in which the Coronet management are following the lead of the big cinemas in London and New York. There, the film has been brought back as a result of the continued expressions of its popularity with the general public. It will be interesting to compare the two Griffith films, which, of course, are markedly different in story and treatment. The Griffith touch, and the genius of Lillian Gish are apparent in both films, whilst the final act of "Way Down East" has been talked about ever since its first showing on the screen.

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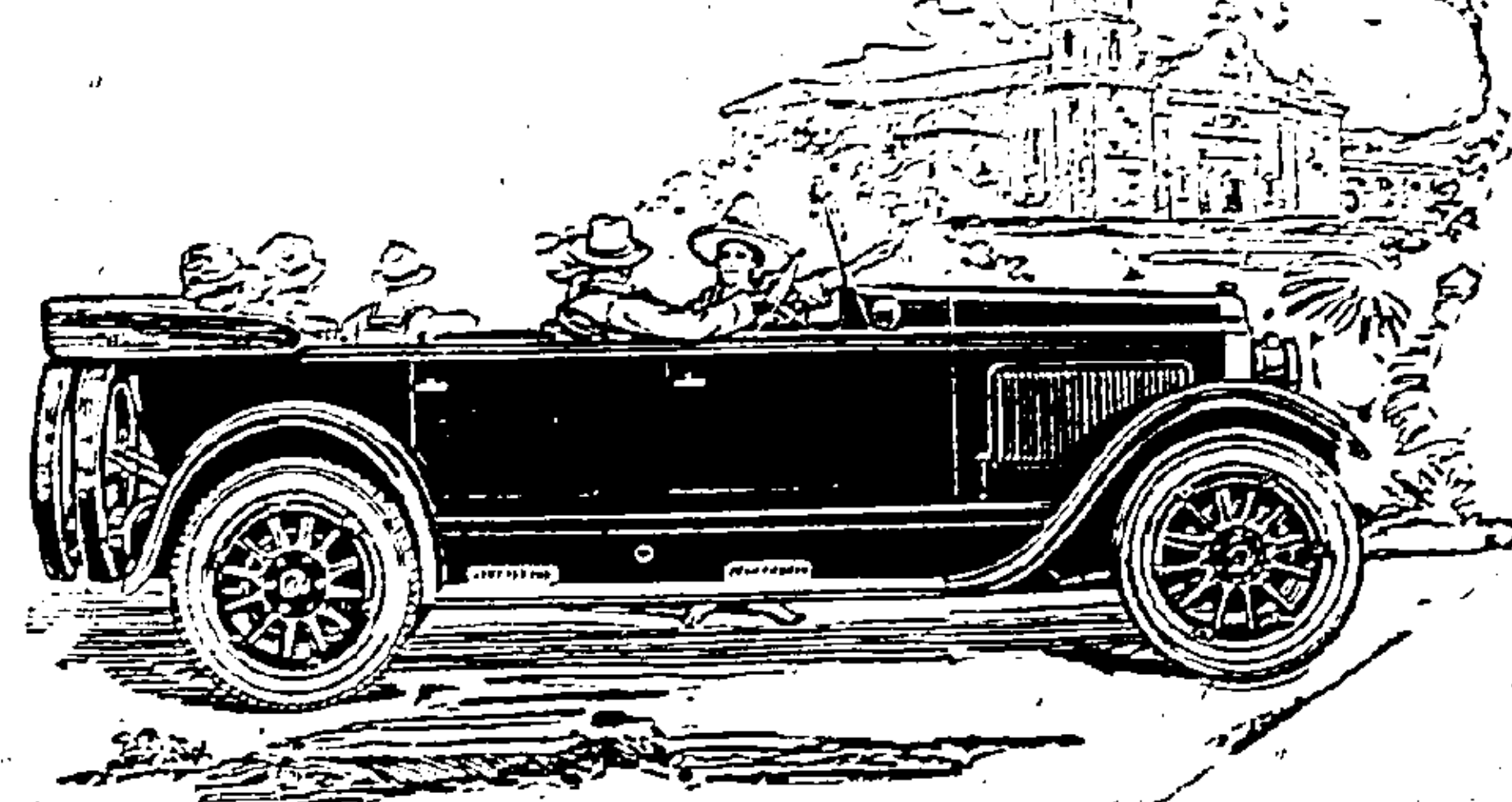
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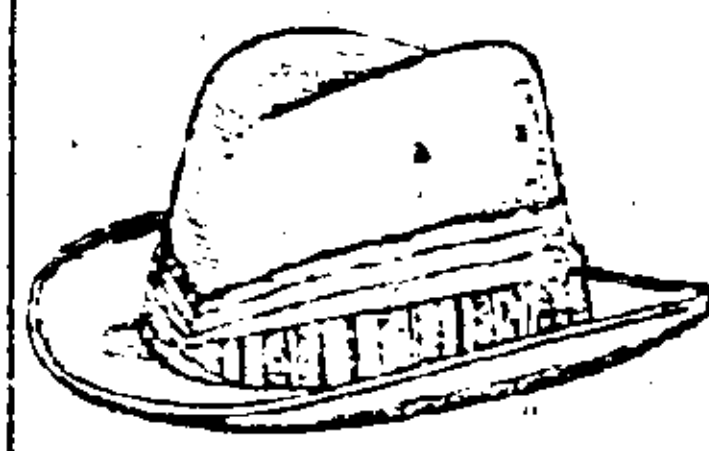
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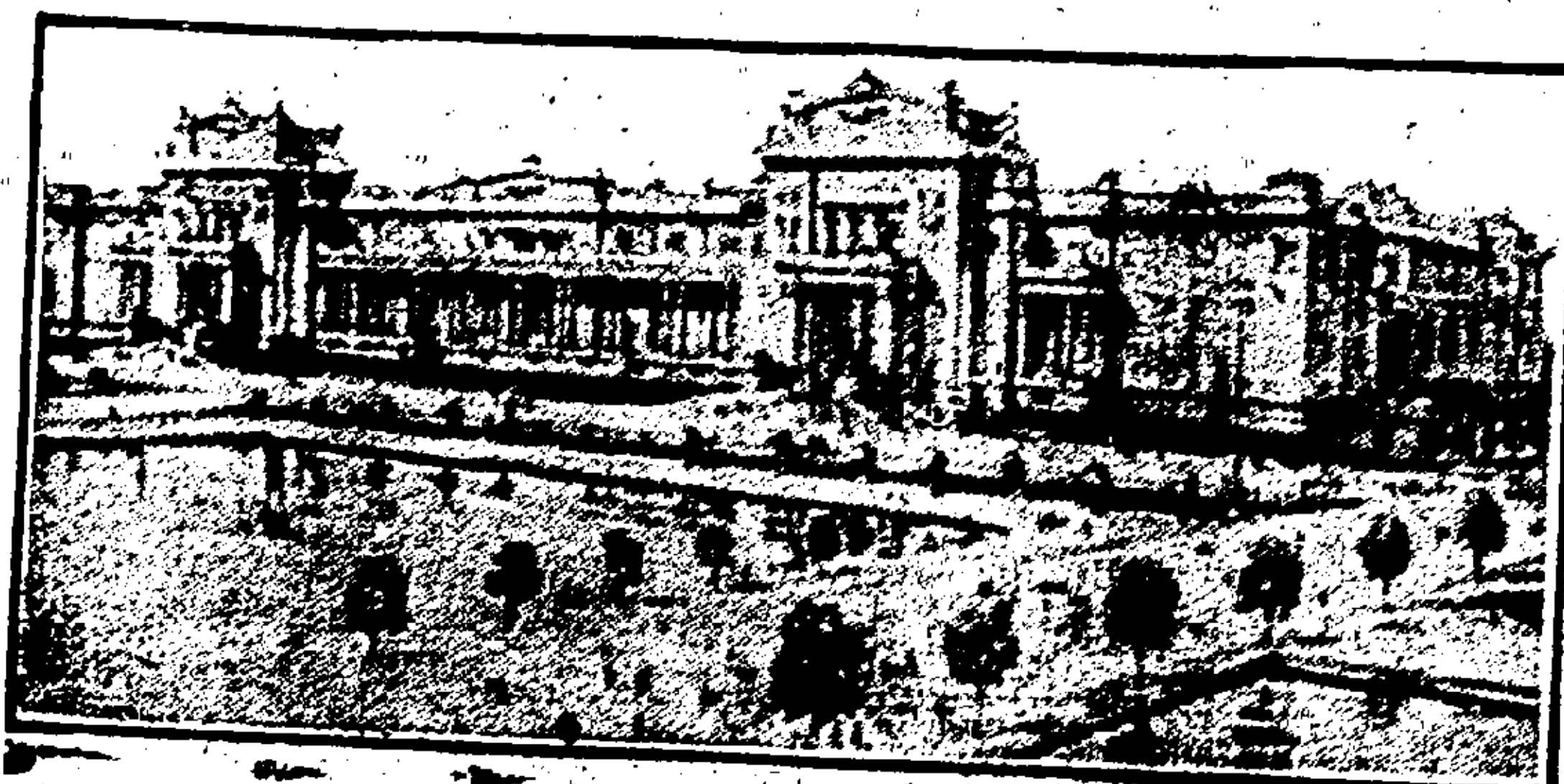
CAMERA NEWS.



Prince Paul of Serbia (right) wore a gorgeous uniform when he married Princess Olga of Greece recently. They are shown here after coming from the Belgrade church in which the ceremony was performed.



Mr. William H. Vanderbilt is shown coming from a New York church with his bride, Miss Emily O'Neill Davies. The wedding united two of New York's oldest families.



Architect's sketch of the Canadian Building at the 1924 British Empire Exhibition.



Top shows Bessie Friedman of New York who recently won the world's championship for women typists. She wrote 8909 words in an hour, which, with penalties deducted, was 143 words a minute. Below is Albert Tangora, who won the championship for all, with a speed of 147 words a minute.



Mrs. Kennedy Wheeler, popular member of Washington's social set, who is engaged to marry Dr. Paul Lessinoff, first secretary of the Bulgarian legation.



Sir L. A. Newton (left), new Lord Mayor of London with his predecessor in office, Sir E. C. Moore.



Miss Blue Meadow, otherwise known as Eliza Cowapoo, who has been judged the most beautiful Indian girl in America.



Ex-Chancellor Stresemann (left) of Germany is shown talking with the noted British publicist, Mr. E. D. Morel. Photo was taken in Berlin, where Mr. Morel went to discuss labour difficulties of Europe.

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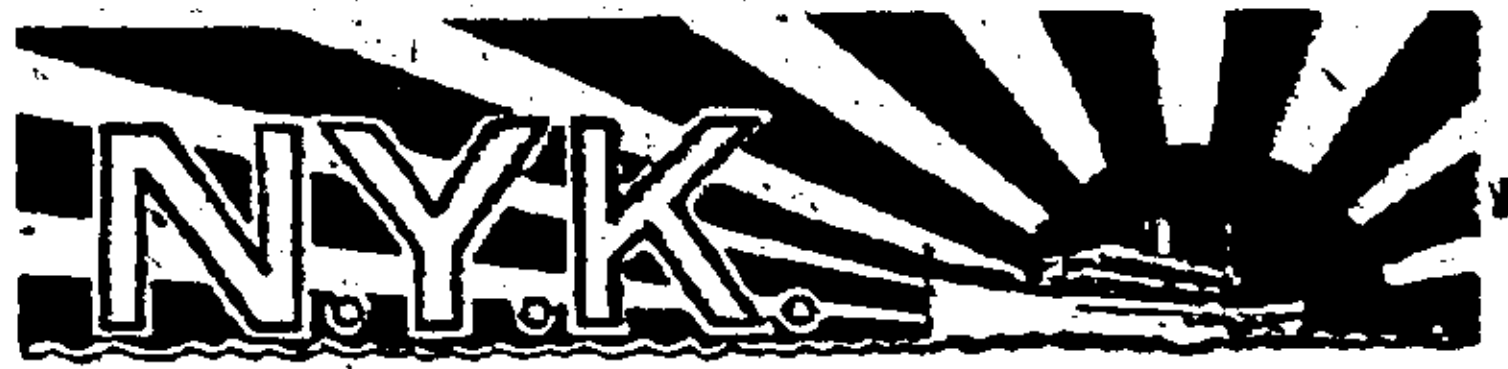
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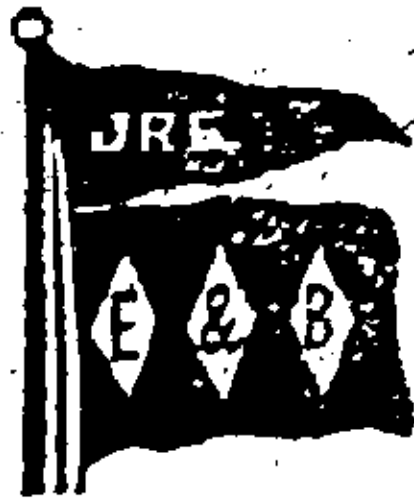
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